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1. AS WITH EARLIER (UNSUCCESSFUL) ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY PRODUCTION AND TEST EQUIPMENT SURVEY, EMBOFF IN EARLY OCTOBER APPROACHED MAJOR CZECHOSLOVAK FOREIGN TRADE AND PRODUCTION ENTERPRISES IN ELECTRONICS COMPONENTS INDUSTRY SEEKING BASIC COMMERCIAL DATA NECESSARY FOR PREPARATION OF MARKET DESK STUDY. SINCE THEN, AND DESPITE VERBAL AND WRITTEN REMINDERS, NO TECHNICAL MARKET INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY THE CZECHOSLOVAK OFFICIALS CONTACTED. AT SAME TIME, DETAILED PUBLISHED STATISTICS ON ELECTRONICS COMPONENT INDUSTRY EITHER DO NOT EXIST OR ARE SO GENERAL IN SCOPE AS TO BE WITHOUT VALUE FOR A STUDY AS DETAILED AS THAT OUTLINED IN STATE'S A-7016 OF AUGUST 15, 1973.

2. UNLESS AND UNTIL BETTER STATISTICAL DATA IS PUBLISHED BY THE CZECHOSLOVAK GOVERNMENT IN INDUSTRY AREAS AS SENSITIVE AS THOSE UNDER DISCUSSION, OUR EFFORTS IN SECURING DETAILED MARKET DATA WILL BE LARGELY LIMITED TO REPEATING, WHERE AVAILABLE, GENERAL FIVE-YEAR PLAN TARGETS BY RELATED INDUSTRY SECTORS AND EXTRAPOLATING SECONDARY MARKET PROJECTIONS AND TRENDS FROM THESE.

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3. ABOVE NOTWITHSTANDING, WE WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO REPORT ON

DEVELOPMENTS IN CZECHOSLOVAK ELECTRONICS COMPONENT INDUSTRY
AS AND WHEN THEY COME TO OUR ATTENTION.
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